sion; 42 with an acreage of 3,735·205 in the divisions of East Khándesh and Násik constitute the number to be worked during 1895-96; and 185 with an acreage of 17,868·3 in the same divisions to be worked after 1895-96. 506 cairns and 1,149 mounds were erected to define the limits of these compartments.

43. Working Plans for the ranges of Bhadgaon in the East Khándesh division and of Sangamner in the Ahmednagar division have been completed and submitted to the Conservator, and of Chálisgaon and Akola ranges are under preparation and will be submitted shortly.

44. In addition to the 272 compartments laid out by the surveyors of the Working Plans division, the staff of the several Divisional Forest Officers in the Central Circle laid out 161 compartments; and the details showing the area of these compartments and the expenditure incurred are given in the following statement:—

No.	Division.	Number of Compartments.	Area of Compartments.		Cost of Demarcation.		Number of Cairns erected.	Remarks.
			Total.	Average.	Total.	Average.		
			A. g.	A. g.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
1	East Khándesh	18	1,703 35	94 26	44 12 1	2 7 9	130	
2	West Khándesh	31	7,765 0	250 19	85 0 0	2 11 1	108	
3	Násik	4	331 30	82 37	9 7 0	2 5 9	126	
4	Ahmednagar	45	2,444 31	54 13	11 14 3	0 4 3	...	
5	Poona	26	1,129 23	43 18	164 3 6	6 5 1	339	
6	Sátára	17	986 34	58 2	72 0 0	4 3 9	48	
7	Sholápur	20	935 35	46 32	2 8 0	0 2 0	...	
	Total ...	161	15,297 31	95 1	389 12 10	2 6 9	751	

45. The figures given in the statement below will show the proportion of forests which have been blocked and are under systematic management:—

No.	Division.	Forest Area.	Area differentiated up to the end of 1894-95.	Area still remaining.	Percentage of Forest under detailed treatment.
		Sq. m. Acres.	Sq. m. Acres.	Sq. m. Acres.	
1	East Khándesh ...	807 211	171 0	636 211	21·19
2	West Khándesh ...	1,722 22	89 0	1,633 22	5·11
3	Násik	1,279 380	235 0	1,044 380	18·37
4	Ahmednagar	847 295	178 0	669 295	21·01
5	Poona	711 244	196 0	515 244	27·56
6	Sátára	671 497	84 0	587 497	12·52
7	Sholápur	277 613	197 0	80 613	70·86
	Total ...	6,317 342	1,150 0	5,167 342	18·2

(*b*).—Annual Plans of Operations.

46. A plan of operations for each division in the Central Circle was drawn up as usual by each Divisional Forest Officer in conformity with the sanctioned figures of the Budget Estimates of the year, and was approved and acted upon.

II.—WORKING OF THE YEAR.

(*a*).—Communications and Buildings.

(*1*).—*Roads.*

47. In the Khándesh Collectorate the Jakria-bári Ghát road which was in progress last year has been completed by the Public Works Department and

opened to traffic; the total expenditure during 1894-95 amounting to Rs. 6,691. This road will facilitate the timber traffic from the Dángs. The survey of a road from Warsa to Waghai is also in progress, and Rs. 203 were spent up to the end of the year. The Divisional Forest Officer, East Khándesh, spent Rs. 141 in improving cart-tracks with a view to make the coupes of the year accessible to heavy loaded carts; and the Divisional Forest Officer, West Khándesh, spent Rs. 35 in repairing the Kalambari forest road in the Pimpalner range in order that intending purchasers of departmentally cut teak might be able to remove their material more easily.

No new roads were undertaken by the Public Works Department in the Násik division, but the Divisional Forest Officer reports that a correspondence is going on between the Collector and the Public Works Department to continue the Nanási Barhe road to the Dharampor frontier, with a fork to the Surgána State, to connect Peint directly with Nanáshi; and to construct a road through the Kalvan Táluka to Hátgad tapping the western forests in that táluka. All these proposed roads will benefit forests directly and indirectly.

The two roads referred to last year in the Ahmednagar division, *viz.*, from Jámgaon to Kotul and from Randhá to Sámrad, were in progress during the year and have been practically completed, the expenditure during 1894-95 amounting to Rs. 815 and Rs. 1,470 respectively, and the total expenditure up to the end of the year amounting to Rs. 28,695 and Rs. 30,133.

In the divisions of Poona, Sátára and Sholápur no new roads which will serve for the exploitation of timber from forests have been constructed by the Public Works Department.

(*2*).—*Buildings.*

48. The following works were undertaken by the Public Works Department for the Forest Department at the cost of the Provincial Services Budget:—

In the Khándesh Collectorate—

(*a*). The Forest Depôt at Kondai-bári which was partially built last year has been completed; the expenditure amounting to Rs. 301.

(*b*). Forest Depôts at Chopda and Ádávad are under construction; the expenditure amounting to Rs. 1,110 and Rs. 697 respectively.

(*c*). A seed room in the Range Forest Office at Chálisgaon is being built; the expenditure amounting to Rs. 31.

In the Násik division a room was added to the Divisional Forest Officer's office at Násik at a cost of Rs. 965 against an estimate of Rs. 986: and the following projects are being prepared:—

(1). Forest Depôt at Chinchvad in Peint Range.

(2). Providing a record-stand in the Range Forest Office at Dindori.

(3). Making additions and alterations to do. do.

No buildings were undertaken in the divisions of Ahmednagar, Poona and Sholápur; but the following works were undertaken and completed in the Sátára division.—

(1). An office for the Range Forest Officer at Pátan at an expenditure of Rs. 1,942 against an estimate of Rs. 1,947.

(2). Hirda Depôt at Helwak which was under construction last year was completed at a cost of Rs. 1,596.

In addition to the above the following works were undertaken by the Public Works Department under the sanction given by the Conservator of Forests from the discretionary grant placed at his disposal by Government, from 1st July 1894 to 30th June 1895:—